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Dr. John E. Wickman
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Dear Dr. Wickman:

The attached letter from Dr. William Z. Slany, the Historian, Department of State, requests that Mr. David W. Mabon, one of their official historians, be given access to CIA-originated documents at your library in his research on the Vietnam War for the Foreign Relations of the United States series. We have verified Mr. Mabon's Top Secret clearance, and we understand that his SCI clearances will be formally certified to you directly.

This letter is to authorize Mr. Mabon's access to such CIA material as may be pertinent to his research on the Vietnam War. As noted in paragraphs three and four of the enclosed "CIA Access Policy," Mr. Mabon is free to take notes and to make copies of documents so long as the Eisenhower Library collects and sends these notes and copies to this office for review before they are released.

We shall notify the Kennedy Library of this Agency's decisions with respect to all documents and notes reviewed. We are also forwarding copies of this authorization to Dr. Slany and to Dr. James O'Neill, Assistant Archivist for Presidential Libraries, National Archives and Records Service.

Yours sincerely,

J. Kenneth McDonald
Chief Historian

Enclosure

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